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Applicant:

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For:

METHOD FOR PREPARING A GELLED FOOD PRODUCT AND SEMI-

FINISHED PRODUCT FOR USE IN THE METHOD

Edgewater, New Jersey 07020 December 16, 2003

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application filed concurrently herewith, please amend the claims as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.